

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

THE APPLICATION OF WESTERN LEWIS-)	
RECTORVILLE GAS & WATER DISTRICT)	
FOR INCREASE OF CERTAIN NON-)	CASE NO. 95-277
RECURRING CHARGES AND A REVISION)	
IN RULES AND REGULATIONS)	

O R D E R

On July 21, 1995, Western Lewis-Rectorville Gas & Water District ("Western") filed an application with the Public Service Commission ("Commission") for authority to increase its non-recurring charges for reconnection, delinquent bills, returned checks, and meter test requests, and to revise its billing cycle.

On July 21, 1995, through correspondence with the Commission, Western withdrew the non-recurring charges portion of its application. Western stated that revision of those charges could be deferred until its next rate case due to their nominal effect on operations.

Western proposes to change its billing cycle so that its customers will be expected to pay their bills within 15 days of billing, rather than the present 20 days. Western's present billing schedule allows its customers to pay their prior month's charges at approximately the same time as the current month bills are being prepared and mailed. The present timing of billing hinders identification of delinquent accounts and staff followup on past due accounts. The proposed revision will alleviate these problems.

The Commission, having reviewed the evidence of record and being otherwise sufficiently advised, finds that:

1. The proposed revision to Western's billing cycle for water and gas service is reasonable.

2. Good cause exists to allow the proposed tariff revision to become effective on and after the date of this Order.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

1. Western's proposed tariff, revising its billing cycle for water and gas service is approved for services rendered on and after the date of this Order.

2. Western's tariff sheets containing the schedule of monthly water and gas service billing cycles and bill formats are approved as filed and are effective on and after the date of this Order.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 6th day of October, 1995.

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION


Chairman


Vice Chairman


Commissioner

ATTEST:


Executive Director